

**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF TETON WATER & SEWER COMPANY, LLC'S APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE IN THE STATE OF IDAHO** ) **CASE NO. TTS-W-22-02**  
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) **NOTICE OF APPLICATION**  
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) **NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE**  
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) **ORDER NO. 35366**  
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On March 1, 2022, Teton Water & Sewer Company, LLC (“Company”) filed an Application seeking to increase its rates and charges for water service. On March 29, 2022, Teton Water & Sewer Company, LLC filed an Amended Application (“Application”). The Company proposes a July 1, 2022, effective date.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company is a Commission-regulated water corporation serving 299 residential customers and seven commercial customers in and around the city of Victor in Teton County, Idaho. The Company provides service under Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 475.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company requests a rate increase in excess of 86% for all of its customers. Specifically, the Company requests a:

- Residential and Commercial 1” meter rate increase from \$118 per quarter to \$220 per quarter,
- Commercial 2” meter rate increase from \$244 per quarter to \$456 per quarter,
- Commercial 3” meter rate increase from \$927 per quarter to \$1,732 per quarter,
- Commercial 4” meter rate increase from \$1,180 per quarter to \$2,205 per quarter, and
- Commercial 6” meter rate increase from \$1,170 per quarter to \$3,307 per quarter.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED the Company asserts this increase is justified to pay to construct a third well and begin construction of a fourth well both of which are necessary to

provide reliable service. The Company also notes the increase will pay to find and repair water leaks on its system.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company filed a copy of its customer notice and the notice it plans on publishing in the local newspaper with the Application. The Company asserts it mailed notice of its Application with customer bills on April 6, 2022 and that a similar notice will be published in the local newspaper on April 13, 2022.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application, Annual Report & Exhibits, and Customer and Published Notices have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. These documents are also available on the Commission's website at [www.puc.idaho.gov](http://www.puc.idaho.gov). Click on the "WATER" icon, select "Open Cases," and click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that **the Commission has designated this case as a general rate case**. As such, the Company's intrastate revenue requirement, and every component of it, both rate base and expense, are at issue. The Commission may grant, deny, or modify the revenue requirement requested and may find a revenue requirement different from that proposed by any party is just, fair, and reasonable. IDAPA 31.01.01.124.01.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all of the Company's retail rates and charges, both recurring and non-recurring, including those of special contract customers, are at issue, and every component of every existing and proposed rate and charge is at issue. The Commission may approve, reject, or modify the rates and charges proposed and may find that rates and charges different from those proposed by any party are just, fair, and reasonable. IDAPA 31.01.01.124.02.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission may approve, reject, or modify existing or proposed relationships between and among rates and charges within, between, or among customer classes or rate groupings and may approve, reject, or modify existing or proposed relationships among and between customer classes or rate groupings. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission may abolish, reduce, or create rate blocks or categories of rates and charges, abolish, create, or reduce components of rates and charges, abolish, reduce, or create customer classes or rate groupings, and abolish, reduce, or create absolute or relative differences among and between existing classes or rate groupings of customers. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the tariffs, practices, rules, and regulations, service, instrumentalities, equipment, facilities, classifications, and customer relations of the utility are at issue, and the Commission may address any of them in its order. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has jurisdiction over the Company, its filing, and the issues pertaining to this case pursuant to Title 61 of the Idaho Code.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

### **SUSPENSION OF PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE**

The Company filed its Amended Application on March 29, 2022, and proposes a July 1, 2022, effective date. The Commission finds the Company's proposed effective date does not provide adequate time for Commission Staff and interested persons to evaluate the Company's proposal. Pursuant to *Idaho Code* § 61-622, the Commission suspends the proposed changes for thirty (30) days and five months or until the Commission enters an order accepting, rejecting, or modifying the proposed rate increases.

### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the July 1, 2022, effective date that the Company proposes for its rate increases is suspended for 30 days plus five months or until the Commission enters an earlier order accepting, rejecting, or modifying the proposed rate increases.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties should continue to comply with Order No. 35058, issued June 3, 2021. All pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and shall be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service between parties should also be accomplished electronically. Voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

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DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 6th day of April 2022.



ERIC ANDERSON, PRESIDENT

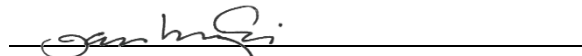


JOHN CHATBURN, COMMISSIONER



JOHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER

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Commission Secretary

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